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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11/20/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-38 (rearranged claims are 1-37).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 09/07,11/07,01/08
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

Reasons for Allowance

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1 and 3-38 are allowed.

Regarding claims 1, 9, 11 and 21, the references **Frech** and **Henninsson** fail to teach replacing a telephone directory number associated with the services node with a telephone directory number associated with the first telephone station. In col.4, lines 13-15, **Frech** teaches that calling directory number is forwarded to SCN/IP after the call is connected to the SCN/IP. In col.4, lines 16-40, **Frech** further teaches when the called party answers, the answer signal is forwarded to SCN/IP and the SCN/IP ask for instructions from SCP. Since, SCP recognizes SCN/IP, the SCP responds with name of the calling party assigned to the calling party's number. However, there is no suggestion in **Frech's** invention in combination with **Henninsson's** invention to teach that the SCP is replacing a telephone directory number associated with the services node with a telephone directory number associated with the first telephone station.

Regarding claims 1, 9, 11 and 21, examiner newly discovered reference **Bedingfield** fail to teach replacing a telephone directory number associated with the services node with a telephone directory number associated with the first telephone station as well as audibly announcing information associated with the first telephone station to the second telephone station. In col.9, lines 7-48, **Bedingfield** teaches that the original calling number is forwarded to service switching point 200 after the call is connected to the service switching point to forward outgoing call to the subscriber's forwarding destination. However, there is no suggestion in **Bedingfield's** invention to teach that the SCP is replacing a telephone directory number

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associated with the services node with a telephone directory number associated with the first telephone station as well as audibly announcing information associated with the first telephone station to the second telephone station.

Claims 3-8, 38, 10, 12-20 and 22-37 are also allowed since these claims are dependent upon claims 1, 11 and 21 respectively.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Md S. Elahee whose telephone number is (571) 272-7536. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon to Fri from 8:30am to 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Fan Tsang can be reached on (571) 272-7547. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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